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Rep. Ferrari: Bond Commission Approves Computer Appraisal System Grant for Barkhamsted



The State Bond Commission today approved a \$27,500 grant for Barkhamsted that will help the town develop a state certified computer assisted mass appraisal system to provide for more accurate revaluations and improve assessment and tax collection practices, state Representative Richard F. Ferrari, R-62nd District,

announced today.

The grant also will help pay for training of town employees in assessment and tax collection practices, Representative Ferrari said.

“Computerized appraisal systems help make revaluations more precise and enable towns to fine tune their assessment and tax collection practices,” Representative Ferrari said. “When periodic property revaluations are carried out, they should be as accurate and equitable as possible. If the process is demonstrably fair and rational, local property taxpayers will be less likely to appeal their assessments.”

“Computerization has made municipal services more efficient and saved taxpayers millions of dollars over the years,” Representative Ferrari said. “It should have much the same effect on a town’s assessment and tax collection practices.”